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No. Just wants our thoughts on it. Sorry. On the line with former region 1 colleague.

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Program is going to brief Jared on what this does/doesn't mean for our review... We'll have to wait until that happens to respond.

Does Tony have specific questions?

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Just left you a voicemail. Going to hold off on telling/sending anyone in the program this until I get input from you. Thanks!

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NEWS RELEASE

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Arizona Game and Fish reaches "Agreement in Principle" with Rosemont Copper on proposed conservation mitigation measures

PHOENIX -- The Arizona Game and Fish Department has entered into an "Agreement in Principle" with Rosemont Copper Company under which Rosemont would fund, and Game and Fish would implement, certain wildlife conservation actions should the Rosemont Mine become a permitted activity through the federal process.

The conservation actions would support implementation of certain federally required measures, but are also designed to offset the mine's impacts to and provide benefits to "Arizona trust species" (those species that aren't federally listed as threatened or endangered). The actions would also provide for wildlife-related public recreational access.

"This agreement provides a range of conservation actions that Rosemont and Game and Fish would work together to implement, should the mine become a reality," said Game and Fish Director Larry Voyles. "The mine retains responsibility for any federally required impact mitigation, but I am encouraged by the company's commitment to the important Arizona wildlife interests the federal compliance process did not tackle."

The department has provided comments to the Forest Service about the Rosemont Copper Mine Project proposal and on the federal Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process. Voyles added, "We focus our energy and efforts on working to achieve the best results for Arizona and the wildlife resources we manage in trust for the citizens of our state. While this agreement is neither an endorsement of, nor an opposition to the mine project, the department supports the outcomes of a detailed, open and comprehensive federal NEPA process. Our comments on that process speak for themselves."

The responsibilities of both parties in the Agreement in Principle would be set forth in further detail in a later agreement to be negotiated between the department and Rosemont Copper Company upon the issuance of a Forest Service-issued Mine Plan of Operations permit. This later agreement would be subject to review and approval by the Arizona Game and Fish Commission at a public meeting.

The development of the Agreement in Principle took several months. It has been sent to Coronado National Forest Supervisor Jim Upchurch with the request that it be included in the Forest Service's Record of Decision for the project.

The proposed Rosemont Mine Project is located southeast of Tucson.

- View the [Agreement in Principle](#).

The Agreement in Principle and more information are also posted at www.azgfd.gov/Rosemont.

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